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OBITUARY

Ella A. Bryant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Bryant, was born on the family homestead near Wa-Keeneey, Kansas, April 10, 1880. Married to David E. Cypher, November 30, 1899. Died at St. Joseph Hospital, Kansas City, Mo., December 21, 1911, aged 31 years, eight months and eleven days.

Although wholly unexpected, the news of the death of Mrs. Cypher came as a shock to many of her friends. It was known that her condition was serious but in the hope that it would yield to hospital treatment she was taken there about three weeks ago, where everything that the most expert skill could suggest was done to alleviate her suffering, but to no avail. The body was brought to Wa-Keeneey last Friday morning and on account of the most impassable condition of the country roads was taken to the residence of A. P. Hinshaw in this city. Funeral services, conducted by Rev. S. L. Allison, were held there Saturday morning, followed by interment at the Wa-Keeneey cemetery. Coming at any time in life, death is always sad but most especially so when a young wife and mother is taken. Her parents, sister and brother, and the bereaved husband and his four young children have the sincere sympathy of a large circle of friends among whom the deceased was held in highest esteem. Born and reared in this community she will here be long remembered for her many virtues and endearing character.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our thanks to A. P. Hinshaw and family and all other friends who were so kind in our bereavement.

Day E. Cypher and children.
E. F. Bryant and family.

More and Better Live Stock

With the rapid growth in population and the closing up of the great ranches and ranges by the farms of the settlers, there has come a distinct and pressing problem for both the producer and consumer of meats.

Why does the farmer receive 6 cents per pound for his hogs and pay 35 cents per pound for his bacon, is another problem.

The nation-wide shortage of meat-producing animals which now exist, and the question of increasing the average yield of Kansas crops from 12 bushels per acre for wheat and 26 bushels for corn, are other important problems which will be up for discussion before the twenty-second annual session of the Kansas Improved Stock Breeders' Association, to be held in Topeka, Kan., January 8-10, 1912.

This meeting is free to all, and all breeds and all phases of live stock production will be represented, and as no permanent system of agriculture can be maintained in any country without live stock, it should have a very personal interest for all.

The Kansas State Board of Agriculture, and other bodies will hold their sessions during the week, which is known as "Farmers' Week in Topeka."

Information and program may be had by addressing Secretary I. D. Graham, Topeka, Kan.

RECENT MARRIAGES

Last Saturday Charlie Ridgway stole a march on his friends and went to Hays and was married to Mrs. Nettie McCrumb of Lincoln. We are unacquainted with any of the details of this wedding as well as the bride, hence cannot give a very satisfactory write-up, but we are sure that Mrs. Ridgway will prove to be a very charming woman for we know that Charlie would not make a choice otherwise. Mr. Ridgway is clerk of the District Court of this place and is widely and favorably known throughout Trego county, and has a host of friends who will be pleased to learn of this very happy occurrence. Mr. and Mrs. Ridgway will occupy the Porter residence in the east part of town next spring. The World, with friends, extends congratulations.

Last Sunday evening there occurred in the city of Denver a very pretty home wedding when Miss Mabel Irene Duggan, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Duggan, was united in marriage to Mr. W. S. Berwick of Wa-Keeneey. The ceremony was solemnized by Rev. George Boone Van Arsdale, pastor of the Central Christian Church in the presence of relatives and friends. The bride is well known in the social and business circles of Denver and is highly esteemed by all who know her. Mr. Berwick has been foreman of the World office for several months and has made a number of warm friends in our little city. His habits of industry and good qualities in general have won the respect of those about him. Mr. and Mrs. Berwick were the recipients of numerous beautiful and useful presents. The World is glad to welcome them to Wa-Keeneey and extends heartiest congratulations wishing them much joy, happiness and prosperity throughout their wedded life.

Disagreeable Experience

The Scott City Northern train from Winona to Scott City had quite an experience the other night. The train left Russell Springs about 3:30 for Winona and when it had covered a distance of fourteen miles, the engine shoved its nose into a huge snowdrift and stuck right there. Every effort known to man was used to free it from its fetters of snow, but to no avail. For twenty-four hours, or until 10 o'clock the next morning, passengers and crew waited and worked and hoped that they would soon get out. But fortune was against them.

Between Russell Springs and Winona there is only one house on the line of the road. That made the passengers and the crew marooned seven miles from anywhere and with nothing to eat. Not even the customary "newsy" with his wares was abroad the marooned train. But "joys of joys," there was a coop of chickens in the express car enroute from Scott City to Winona. The passenger and crews sailed in, cleaned the chickens and roasted them to a nut brown over the hot coals in the firebox of the engine. A refused cheese being returned to the wholesaler house was eaten with relish.

At last when the gray light of the dawn was creeping over the landscape the telephone wire was tapped assistance sent from Winona and the passengers and crew conveyed to town with teams.

Happy New Year

I wish to you such a fine year as you desire it to be. A happy, healthy, cheerful life full of joy and prosperity. And the Merciful Lord remember you as well it can be. With a very favorable year that will produce abundantly. And be protected against evil whatever it be. And, against pestilence, famine, rebellion and enmity. And our country's atmosphere be clear, bright as it can be. And enjoy a prosperous, peaceful life everlastingly. May the All-wise Providence shield us for ever to be. And inspire our ruler with wisdom to act faithfully.

Peter Mondloch.

ABOUT THE WORLD

Something good for World readers! The World is always planning to give its readers the best service, in a news and literary way possible, and is scheming all the time to improve and better its several departments. With this view, beginning next week, we shall discard the old familiar sheets and in their place substitute the modern, up-to-date "adless" ready-print sheets of the American Press Association—the greatest news service in the world.

By this arrangement our readers will get a reading service of high merit, void of any advertising features which have been a detriment to any well regulated newspaper for years, which the publishers of papers, heretofore, could not avoid owing to the "trust" combine and its various ramifications. Hereafter, the World will publish all new and special features which we are sure will be greatly appreciated.

And this is not all! We have made special arrangements for publishing each week the well known Pastor Russell sermons. This service begins today.

The World has one or two more good things yet to be announced, all of which will tend to make the paper more metropolitan and appreciative by a large and growing constituency.

"IRRIGATED LAND"

I have several pieces of choice irrigated land in southwestern Idaho where failure is unknown. This land lays within 2 miles of a modern town which has good railroad facilities. This will produce in alfalfa 5 to 7 tons per acre; wheat from 40 to 50 bushels; oats from 60 to 80 bushels; potatoes from 400 to 500 bushels per acre and all other crop in accordance. It is also a fine fruit country as the winters are mild and summers ideal. I am looking for 2 or 3 good men with families, if possible, who want to make a home and money for themselves. In case a man had some land in this country, we might be able to make a trade so that he could own part of this land and rent or lease the rest on long terms. This is a good proposition for the right man. In case you are interested write at once.

Eugene C. Mingenback,
Box 111. McPherson, Kans.

The Editor

Allegorically speaking, the editor is a happy medium between a soup bone and a porterhouse steak. No body ever saw a rich editor and on the other hand no one ever encountered an editor who didn't head every subscription paper in circulation with a donation of four bits and a stub pen. The editor is said to be long to the fourth estate because that is the only kind he ever leaves. He is also one of the most cheerful and overworked prevaricators now passing as legal tender. He has to be. Whenever a girl with a face like a cream puff marries a youth who never earned a dime outside of the shooting gallery, the editor has to paint the bride as a radiant vision of blushing beauty and the groom as one of our rising young business men or else disappoint an expectant circle of delinquent subscribers. If the editor fails to spread a two-column obituary over the death of a prominent citizen who never paid a grocery bill outside of the justice court, he is liable to be waited on by some two fisted relative with an injured air and a punch in either hand. It has been libelously reported that the editor's diet is confined mainly to sight drafts and summer squash taken on subscriptions, but he appears to be as resigned to his lot as the man whose wife has gone to the seashore and the only thing that can cause him to change his occupation is a sheriff's sale or an untimely death. Few editors go the case nowadays and set up their edit-

orials in long primer with a three-point lead. Modern machinery does everything but meet the pay roll and pay the hired girl.—Howard I. Rann.

Kansas City Market Report

Kansas City Stock Yards, December 26, 1911.

The holiday yesterday worked in two ways against any big trade in cattle this week. The market was closed in observation as Christmas, and shippers in the country likewise celebrated the day, and there was a small amount of loading. Six thousand cattle had to fill the bill here to-day, and it was about enough. The market advanced 25 to 50 cents last week, and it looked like ten to fifteen higher to-day at the start, but steady to ten higher was the best the salesmen would call it. Buyers want weight, and for prime heavy steers there is competition. A New York buyer took the top load here to-day at \$8.00, 1550 lbs. Warmup steers sold downwards to \$5.50. Some Chickasha, Oklahoma steers sold at \$5.90, and other fed quarantine steers brought \$5.60. Heavy native cows easily get up to five \$5.00, the best at \$5.35, and prime heifers sell at \$7.00. High corn causes feeders to hesitate, but the promising outlook for fat cattle for some months ahead is attractive, and good feeders bring \$5.25 and upwards to \$6.00. Stock cattle sell at \$4.80 to \$5.50 for the best, though some cattle may be had around \$4.00. A Texas breeder of high grade Herefords says he has recently sold yearling heifers to Kansas buyers at \$27 per head, and that he can dispose of all surplus stock on the ranch at high prices.

The hog market is working upward and it moved up a couple of notches today. Run here is 11,000 to-day, market 10 higher, top \$6.40, bulk \$5.90 to \$6.35. Quality is improving and are heavier, average for the week ending December 21st at this point standing at 187 lbs. Two weeks ago the average weight for the current week was 176 lbs. Pigs go at \$4.25 to \$5.50. The run last week showed no falling off from recent weeks, though dealers have been expecting a decrease in the supply for some time.

Sheep and lambs also sold higher last week, and the market is firm today. Kansas fed lambs sold up to \$6.20 on different days last week, and the market is firm to-day. Kansas fed lambs sold up to \$6.20 on different days last week, and up to \$6.25 today. Quality is better than a short time ago and packers take more interest. Wethers are selling up to \$4.20, light yearlings \$5.25, and ewes \$3.50. Several strings of feeding lambs went out last week at \$4.50, and some New Mexico yearlings went to the feeders at \$3.50.

J. A. Rickart
Market Correspondent.

The Tax Situation

Billy Palmer of the Jewel Republican, after reading the official statement sent out by the State Tax Commission, wisely comments as follows on the steady increase in taxes:

"During the past nine years taxes have increased in Kansas 44 percent. That is a big increase and it looks like we ought to jump onto somebody about it; but when we look into the matter we are astonished to find that we did it ourselves. The closer home we come the greater the increase. Notice this: State taxes have increased omitting fractions, 14 percent, county, township 36 percent, city tax 51 per cent, school tax 75 per cent. Increase on total tax 44 per cent. Think it over, brethren. If we are getting the worth of our money, let's count it a good investment and smilingly pay the bill. If not, let's blame ourselves and remember that nobody else has any power to remedy it."

For Sale or Trade

Model F Buick automobile in good shape; new tires, run less than 2,000 miles. C. D. Yetter, Ogallah, Kans.

Cream Puffs every Wednesday at the City Bakery.

DOES IT PAY

Mrs. Mary A. McIvor, wife of the editor of the Hoxie Sentinel, is not only a good writer on economic questions, but a keen observer. Writing from Waco, Texas, Nov. 24, to the Sentinel she says:

"Sometime, so long ago that I have forgotten, I read an article in no less authentic periodical than the Literary Digest, advising young people to marry while their love was young and ardent, rather than live apart during a long engagement, waiting for the man in the case to make his 'pile.'"

The writer gave it as his, or her, opinion that it was better to marry under such circumstances, though the wife had to continue in her place as a wage earner down town, even for several years, than to risk losing those years of life together.

Now I have not had unlimited opportunity for investigation down here but from what I have seen of that sort of thing, I think it a mighty poor arrangement. In my estimation the woman in the case would have been much better off as an old maid at home, even though she was employed down town during the day than she is as Mrs. Blank without any home influences and living in a boarding house from year to year.

Let me particularize. One couple down here—and they are very nice agreeable people, dress to the very last word in style and price of garments—the man is a soda water dispenser in a drug store; the woman, a sales lady in a store. She earns more money than he does. Consequently when he is in need of wearing apparel he has the bill charged against her wages. Every Saturday they are broke. Their room rent, board and clothes take all they make. They do not save anything, never have and apparently, never will. They have been married six years.

Another couple have been married ten years, and during that time they have been in several states. Everywhere they have both worked. They have nothing. She is employed as a fitter and he is a traveling salesman, working on commission. The last time he was home she had to give him the money to get out of town.

A third couple, and they are already past the prime of life. They are clerks. He is the head of a department and she measures muslin. Together they make about \$100 a month. In all the years of their married life they have saved enough to buy a lot but never enough to build a house. They have no children, they have no home. They have boarded so long that a man recently had his place at table changed rather than sit near them.

Then there is another case that has come under my observation. This couple has been married three years, and the young wife feels that she is doing more than her share in earning \$25 a month in selling lace. Her husband is a book-keeper in the same store where she works, but morning and evening she insists that he "do" their room, massage her face when she desires it, and gather up the wash for the colored woman Monday morning. His expression as he sits beside her tells of weariness of the bargain. "I'm helping Clarence earn money so he has to help me do my work, she says, in a loud shop tone, after she has recounted to the other roomers all that she makes Clarence do.

I may be wrong about it, but it is my opinion that any one of these men would have amounted to more as a citizen and have had more of this world's goods, if he had the care and support of a non-wage earning wife and family on his hands. Of course such an opinion sounds real pie-faced country, but when I see how a lot of people live in the cities, I am right glad I am from the country.

Weather Report

Maximum and minimum temperature according to the government thermometer at Wa-Keeneey for the week ending Wednesday noon.

	MAX.	MIN.
Thursday	26	12
Friday	28	09
Saturday	30	11
Sunday	27	08
Monday	21	10
Tuesday	21	06
Wednesday	25	07

Except that Christmas was a very cloudy day, we have had bright winter weather for the last week.

Money! Money! Money! on your farms. When you want a loan on your farm call on the Wa-Keeneey State Bank.

CORRESPONDENCE

VODA

Happy New Year to all.

Mr. Vanderwater is on the sick list.

Hig Swiggett was in Voda Tuesday on business.

Voda school tads are enjoying a week's vacation.

Herman Erichs called on Sam Newcomer Sunday.

Arthur Zeman arrived home from Colorado last week.

Charles Kristof bought two tons of hay from W. J. Skelton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cox spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Cox of Hays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mensing attended Church at Wa-Keeneey Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cox called on Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kristof Tuesday evening.

The two fast trains are taken off, since the mayor started to walk there is no need of them.

Albert Krhut returned home from Rossville last Saturday night where he has been working.

A. G. Schwanbeck and family took Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J. Spena at Wa-Keeneey.

We are sorry to note that our old friend Jim Best is laid up with a complication of diseases.

Miss Bessie Stradal returned home from Kansas City Sunday night after an illness of about four months.

R. Owens attended the supper at Wa-Keeneey Saturday night which was given by Dr. A. B. Jones.

The Vodo hunters went out to the Gleason Ranch on the Saline Tuesday and succeeded in getting 200 rabbits.

A serious accident occurred to Mr. Vanderwater Christmas while hunting. The king bolt broke and frightened the team throwing Mr. Vanderwater out and breaking two ribs, he also received several other bruises. We hope Mr. Vanderwater will soon recover.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Owens entertained at dinner Christmas day the following guest, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Austin and family, Mrs. Geo. Kristof and son Charlie, Harry Miller and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Downs and family. A sumptuous dinner was served and the day was spent wishing Mr. and Mrs. Owens many more Merry Christmas days.

BIG CREEK

(Too late for last week)

Wheat has been doing fine since the rain.

Master Willie Herbert has been quite sick the first of the week.

William Dill had the misfortune to run a nail through his foot the last of last week.

A. P. Teeters, Wm. Lutz and others were hauling alfalfa hay from Ellis last Monday.

The snow Tuesday and Tuesday night is good for the wheat crop but tough on stock.

Stock called for a good deal of feed during the foggy and snowy weather the past few days.

William Caskey brought his and his neighbors horses back from Edwards county Sunday.

C. N. Manker of Ellis, is closing out his store in that town and is going to leave in the near future.

John Herbert has sent some of his horses down near Salina. Herman Wallborg took them down for him.

The high winds of a short time ago did considerable damage to some wheat fields. The sleet Sunday night paralyzed some of the telephone lines in the Ellis system.

On Sunday night of last week some of Will Sauer's friends thought they would have some fun at Billy's expense. They went to his hen house and began to make the chickens squak. Billy, thinking, chicken thieves were there, got his repeating shot gun and let them have five shots when they began to beg him not to shoot them. The scare and shock to Mrs. Sauer has caused nervous prostration and she has not been able to be up since, being under the doctor's care yet. Somebody will get into the range of somebody's gun yet.

Feel languid, weak, run-down? Headache? Stomach "off"? Just a plain case of lazy liver. Burdock Blood Bitters tones liver and stomach promotes indigestion, purifies the blood.